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ACCESS RAMPS SUEZ CANAL, EGYPT 30-29N 032-20E

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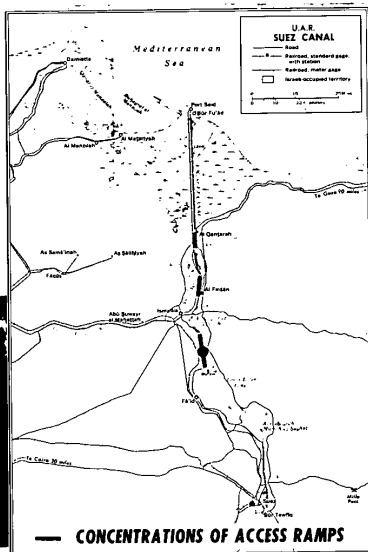


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SUEZ CANAL

← ACCESS RAMP

0 75 150 METERS (APPROX)
0 225 450 FEET (APPROX)

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: FIRST IDENTIFICATION OF GRADED ACCESS RAMPS
ALONG THE EGYPTIAN BANK OF THE SUEZ CANAL.
2. LOCATION: FROM TWO NAUTICAL MILES (NM) SOUTH OF AL QAN-
TARAH AT 30-49-30N 032-19-00E TO ONE NM NORTH
OF GREAT BITTER LAKE AT 30-26-20N 032-21-05E.
3. REMARKS: ALL THE GRADED ACCESS RAMPS WERE PRESENT ON
PHOTOGRAPHY OF POORER INTERPRETABILITY ON
4. NEGATION DATE:
5. MISSION READOUT: THIS MISSION REVEALED NEW CONSTRUCTION ON THE
EGYPTIAN BANK OF THE SUEZ CANAL. BETWEEN THE NORTH-SOUTH ROAD WHICH
PARALLELS THE SUEZ CANAL AND THE EDGE OF THE CANAL, TWO TYPES OF GRADED
ACCESS RAMPS WERE BEING CONSTRUCTED. THESE RAMPS WILL IMPROVE ACCESS TO
THE CANAL BY VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT. ONE TYPE OF GRADED ACCESS RAMP
EXTENDED AT RIGHT ANGLES FROM THE NORTH-SOUTH ROAD TO THE EDGE OF THE
CANAL. THE SECOND TYPE OF RAMP CONSISTED OF A LARGER RECTANGULAR GRADED
ACCESS RAMP EXTENDING FROM THE EDGE OF THE CANAL TO A POINT MIDWAY

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BETWEEN THE CANAL AND THE NORTH-SOUTH ROAD. AT LEAST ONE LOOP ACCESS ROAD HAD BEEN CONSTRUCTED FROM THE NORTH-SOUTH ROAD TO EACH LARGE GRADED ACCESS RAMP.

THREE CONCENTRATIONS OF THE LARGE GRADED ACCESS RAMPS WERE OBSERVED NORTH OF AL ISMAILIYAH. THE NORTHERNMOST CONCENTRATION OF AT LEAST THREE OF THESE RAMPS IS APPROXIMATELY TWO NM SOUTH OF AL QANTARAH BETWEEN 30-48-45N 032-19-00E AND 30-49-30N 032-19-00E. THE AREA NORTH OF AL ISMAILIYAH WITH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF LARGE RAMPS IS APPROXIMATELY SIX NM NORTHEAST OF AL ISMAILIYAH BETWEEN 30-42-10N 032-20-30E AND 30-40-25N 032-20-05E. AT LEAST ELEVEN RAMPS WERE IN THIS GROUP. THE THIRD AREA CONSISTING OF ONE LARGE RAMP IS TWO NM NORTHEAST OF AL ISMAILIYAH AT 30-36-50N 032-19-10E.

SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF AL ISMAILIYAH THE CONCENTRATION OF ACCESS RAMPS EXTENDS ALONG A 5.4 NM STRETCH OF THE CANAL FROM A NORTHERN EXTREME AT 30-31-20N 032-19-50E TO A SOUTHERN LIMIT AT 30-26-20N 032-21-05E. IN THIS CONCENTRATION THERE WERE 37 SMALL AND SIX LARGE RAMPS.

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ENLARGEMENT FACTOR: 15X

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